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SUBJECT: IBRD CONSULTATIVE GROUP MEETING ON ZAMBIA

REF: STATE 154363

1. FRG DELEGATION TO PARIS MEETING, JUNE 27-29,

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WILL BE LED BY DR. KIRCHHOF OF THE ECONOMIC
COOPERATION MINISTRY. HE WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY
REPRESENTATIVES OF THE FINANCE MINISTRY, FOREIGN
OFFICE AND ECONOMICS MINISTRY. THE INFORMATION
BELOW HAS BEEN PROVIDED BY KIRCHHOF ON A CONFIDENTIAL,
PLEASE PROTECT BASIS.

2. THE GERMAN AID PLEDGE IS FOR THE TWO-YEAR PERIOD, JANUARY 1977 - DECEMBER 1978, AND THE TOTAL IS DM 98 MILLION. DM 20 MILLION OF THE FUNDS ORIGINALLY SLATED FOR PROJECT AID IS BEING REALLOCATED AS COMMODITY ASSISTANCE. KIRCHHOF SEES LITTLE CHANCE OF INCREASING THE TOTAL PLEDGE THROUGH DECEMBER 1978, BUT FORESEES THAT THE FRG WILL CONTINUE COOPERATION IN THE NEXT TWO-YEAR PERIOD (79-80) THE TOTAL LEVEL OF ASSISTANCE WILL BE AT LEAST THE SAME AS THE PRESENT PERIOD, AND PERHAPS AS MUCH AS 10-15 PERCENT MORE.

3. THE FRG VIEWS ZAMBIAN AGRICULTURAL DIVERSIFICATION PLANS AS THE FIRST PRIORITY. SIXTY PERCENT OF OF THE FRG ASSISTANCE FUNDS ARE CENTERED ON THIS AREA, PRIMARILY FOR IMPROVING EXISTING PROGRAMS. GEOGRAPHICALLY, FRG EFFORTS ARE AIMED AT THE NORTHWESTERN PROVINCES TO SUPPORT THE COPPER-PRODUCING AREAS.

4. REGARDING THE ADEQUACY OF CURRENT ECONOMIC PROGRAMS, KIRCHHOF SAID THAT WE MUST WAIT TO HEAR WHAT THE ZAMBIANS HAVE TO SAY. THE PLANS LOOK GOOD ON PAPER BUT THEIR EFFICACY CAN ONLY BE JUDGED WHEN IMPLEMENTATION IS REALIZED. SOURCE'S MAJOR COMPLAINT WAS THE INEFFICIENCY OF THE
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PARIS MECHANISM. HE INSISTED THAT ZAMBIA MUST LOOK FORWARD TO JOINT VENTURES AND PRIVATE INVESTMENT.

5. KIRCHHOF STATED THAT THE CHANCELLOR MIGHT DECIDE TO DO SOMETHING EXTRA FOR ZAMBIA WHEN HE RETURNS FROM HIS VISIT TO LUSAKA NEXT WEEK.
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